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SUBJECT: BARANDEIRAN ON ANDEAN PACT ISSUES

FOR ARA/JOSEPH GRUNWALD

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- 1. CHARLES FRANK DID NOT HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE MATTER OF CHILEAN ATTITUDE TOWARD ANDEAN PACT. ATTITUDE HAS NOT CHANGED FROM PREVIOUS EMBASSY REPORTING.
- 2. WHEN VIEWED FROM SANTIAGO, USG SUPPORT FOR ANDEAN PACT PRESENTS SPECIAL PROBLEMS. CHILEANS OBSERVE THAT THEIR POSTURE WITHIN THE PACT IS ONE OF DEFENDING ECONOMIC PRINCIPLES WHICH USG ITSELF HAS ADVOCATED IN OTHER CONTEXTS. THESE INCLUDE A WELCOME TO FOREIGN INVESTMENT WITHOUT DISTORTIONS AND DETERRENTS RESULTING FROM ONEROUS EQUITY DIVESTMENT AND PROFIT REPATRIATION PROVISIONS, TOGETHER WITH LOWEST POSSIBLE TARIFF BARRIERS IN ORDER TO PUT PAID IN INEFFICIENT HIGH COST IMPORT SUBSTITUTION INDUSTRIES. CHILEANS FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT ENDING INVESTMENT RESTRAINTS, ARE PREPARED TO BE MORE FLEXIBLE ON TARIFF ISSUE.
- 3. CHILEANS HOPE TO REMAIN WITHIN THE PACT IN ORDER TO REFORM IT FROM WITHIN. SO FAR, THEY HAVE BEEN HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL IN MAINTAIN-CONFIDENTIAL

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ING THEIR FREEDOM OF ACTION AND MEMBERSHIP AT THE SAME TIME. THEY

ARE, HOWEVER, INCREASINGLY AWARE OF THEIR NATURAL TRADE AFFINITIES
WITH ARGENTINA WHICH, WHILE NOT NECESSARILY INCONSISTENT WITH CON-
TINUED MEMBERSHIP IN THE PACT, SERVE TO STRENGTHEN THE CHILEAN
DETERMINATION TO PURSUE THEIR OWN ECONOMIC GOALS WITHIN IT.
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